

Abstract

A theft prevention system capable of preventing theft of a target object by disabling the authorized key of the target object
5 in the case where the authorized key has been stolen. When the authorized key is lost, a mobile telephone 100 instructs a vehicle control device 300a to set a warning mode. On receipt of this warning mode instruction, the vehicle control device 300a sets warning mode, generates an electronic key, and transmits the generated electronic key to the
10 mobile telephone 100, which receives and stores the electronic key. Once the warning mode is set in the vehicle, locking and unlocking are only possible using the electronic key. If the authorized key is found, the mobile telephone 100 instructs the vehicle control device 300a to set the normal mode. Upon receipt of this normal mode
15 instruction, the vehicle control device 300a sets the normal mode in the vehicle. Once the normal mode is set in the vehicle, locking and unlocking are only possible using the authorized key.